



***U.S. Consulate Nogales
Warden Message***

May 11, 2010

This Warden Message is issued to encourage U.S. citizens to use extreme caution when traveling on Mexican Federal Highway 15 between Hermosillo and Nogales.

A U.S. citizen disappeared early on May 3rd departing from his residence in Benjamin Hill, Sonora. His vehicle was found later that day in Santa Ana, and his remains were recovered May 8. He had been murdered. Based on further investigation, a general increased threat to travelers on the highway between Hermosillo and Nogales continues to exist.

U.S. Consulates Nogales and Hermosillo have requested that their employees defer travel on Highway 15 between Hermosillo and Nogales until further notice. Additional information will be released as it is received.

U.S. citizens traveling through northern Mexico should exercise caution. Review of recent violence indicates that although criminal acts can occur unexpectedly at any time of day, overall it is safer to travel during the morning and early afternoon hours. American citizens are advised to refer to guidance in the Department of State's most recent Travel Warning for Mexico located on the internet at http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/tw/tw_4755.html and Country Specific Information for Mexico, which can be found at

http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_970.html for additional information regarding the current security situation in the country. U.S. citizens living or traveling abroad are encouraged to register with the nearest U.S. Embassy or consulate through the State Department's travel registration website <http://travel.state.gov/ibrs/ui>.

For any emergencies involving U.S. citizens in Mexico, please contact the U.S. Embassy or the closest U.S. Consulate.

U.S. citizens in Hermosillo's consular district may contact the American Citizens Services (ACS) Unit at the U.S. Consulate General, located at Monterrey 141 Poniente, Col. Esqueda, Hermosillo, Sonora, Mexico; telephone 662 289 3500; after hours emergency telephone 044 662 256 0741; web page: <http://hermosillo.usconsulate.gov>; ACS Unit fax 662 217 2571; email: Hermoacs@state.gov.

U.S. citizens in Nogales' consular district may contact the American Citizens Services (ACS) Unit at the U.S. Consulate, located on Calle San Jose (S/N), Col. Los Alamos, Nogales, Sonora, Mexico; telephone 011 +52 (631) 311-8150; after hours emergency telephone 011 +52 1 (631) 318-0723; web page: <http://nogales.usconsulate.gov>; ACS Unit fax 011 +52 (631) 313-4652; email: NogalesACS@state.gov.